

B. R. T. STRIPS LINES OF AGENCY'S 'ADS'

Dispute Over Renewal Terms
Ends in Everything Being
Pasted Up Over Night.

CASE MAY GO TO COURT

Passengers on the surface and elevated cars of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit system were amazed yesterday morning at the transformation that had taken place within a few hours. An army of billposters and employees of the railroad had been at work from midnight until 8 o'clock in the morning and blank sheets had been pasted over the existing gum machines, all the new stanchions, where cigars and candy were sold, the various stations, were sealed up, every advertising sign stripped from the cars, and all display "ads" at the stations covered with white paper.

The transformation was due to the declaration of hostilities between the B. R. T. and the advertising agency of Arenas Ward, which has controlled through its subsidiary, the Inter-City Car Advertising Company, the privileges of the big railroad system.

The contracts with the Inter-City company expired on April 30 at midnight, and after a controversy extending over several weeks between Mr. Arenas Ward, president of the B. R. T., and Mr. Timothy L. Williams, president of the Inter-City company, no agreement could be reached upon terms for their renewal. The railroad officials then decided to take over the operation of the advertising and vending privileges for the company itself.

Calls Rate "Abominably Low."

Col. Williams said in explanation of the action of the B. R. T.:

"The advertising company's contracts gave them a right of renewal for a further period of five years, provided the terms and conditions, including compensation offered by them, were acceptable to the railroad officials. The railroad officials have been trying for several months to get from the advertising company a specific offer of renewal compensation, but without result until yesterday afternoon, when the advertising company offered to renew the contracts upon the same terms and for the same compensation as recently existing. The railroad promptly rejected this offer as inadequate.

"Judging from what we can learn about the value of these privileges, and especially the rentals that are being paid by the same advertising interests and by other advertising concerns in Greater New York, we are receiving a ridiculously inadequate compensation, and with the prospect of the very much larger business which will result from the completion of the new rapid transit lines the present compensation is still more absurdly low.

"The railroad company operates about 1,000 surface cars and about 925 elevated cars. The present rental covering all these cars is \$217,000. It is so small that the Inter-City company, which began with the cars, and the scale is gradually increased, making the total much larger.

"The New York Railways Company pays \$75,000 for its advertising privileges, while the Hudson and Manhattan Railroad Company makes \$216,000 from the same sources, although it does not operate nearly as many cars.

"Mr. Ward said: 'It is simply a dispute over the renewal arrangements of our contract with the railroad company, and we consider that the B. R. T. has acted outrageously.'

Charles E. Rushmore, counsel for Arenas Ward, said:

"Col. Williams constantly refused to arrange a conference. Finally we suggested that there be a thirty days temporary extension for the purpose of reaching a conference. That too was refused."

It is understood that the case may now be carried to the courts, as the Inter-City company has refused to sign the original contract virtually gave it an extension of five years.

DIVORCE ACTIONS STIR PARK RIDGE

F. T. Reed, Sr., Mrs. Reed,
A. H. Barkerding and Miss
Bertha Dorries All Figure.

HACKENSACK, N. J., May 1.—"Solely to defend the good name and unimpeachable character of an innocent young woman is the reason given by Frank T. Reed, Sr., of Park Ridge for his action today in denying the charges made against him in the divorce papers filed by his wife, Sara, and filing a cross petition naming Adolph H. Barkerding as the defendant.

"It was wrong for my wife to name Mr. Barkerding in her divorce suit against me, for this young woman stands high in social circles in Park Ridge and there never was a hint of scandal attached against her," said Mr. Reed.

"Mr. Reed said he had placed his case in the hands of his lawyer, William B. McKinley, Jr., of Hackensack, and that the suit will be based on several trips to New York in which Mrs. Reed figured.

"At the person concerned in the suits are connected with the Mittag & Vicker carbon paper manufacturing plant."

Frank Dorries, Mr. Barkerding is a resident of the company, Mrs. Reed is an expert cloth cutter, Mrs. Reed and Miss Dorries are stenographers in the office, working side by side.

"Mr. Reed has been in the city since Friday evening, when Theodore, a son of Mr. Barkerding, was killed in an automobile crash near Hackensack, Mrs. Barkerding came to the city and Mrs. Barkerding happened also to be away from home.

"A few weeks ago Mrs. Dorries fled from her home, and even after having started the divorce suit Mrs. Reed called at her home to express sympathy and hoped for her quick recovery. The Reed family then separated for some time, Mrs. Reed returning to the home of her parents at Woodcliff Lake, N. J., about 42 years old. Mr. Reed is a brother of ex-Postmaster Reed. Mrs. Reed will have until May 16 to answer the cross petition.

Mrs. Barkerding is prominent socially and is active in church and school work.

WALLACK'S ENDS CHECKERED CAREER

Celebration Marks Closing—
Rose Coghlan Makes Fare-
well Speech.

HOUSE HAD MANY OWNERS

After a checkered career of more than a quarter of a century Wallack's Theatre, opened on January 4, 1882, by the late Lester Wallack, formally closed its doors last night after the last performance had been given on its stage—that of Granville Barker's production of "The Man Who Married a Dumb Wife" and "Androcles and the Lion."

A fitting celebration of the event marked the close of the old historic playhouse. Rose Coghlan, one of the original members of the Wallack Players spoke an epilogue written by Oliver Herford. She was dressed as Lady Teazle in Sheridan's "The School for Scandal," one of the first plays to be given by Wallack. Augustine Thomas, the playwright, also made an epilogue as did Granville Barker himself, who in a few words acknowledged the honor that had fallen to him in being the last manager to produce plays at Wallack's Theatre.

It was at Wallack's that such well-known players as Tommas Salvini, Count Coghlan, James Harding, E. S. Williams, and many others were seen in the early days of their careers. It was the scene of the first appearance in America of Marie Tempest. There Judie and Theo first sang. Such great actors as John Gilbert, Mine Bonis, Osmond Tearle, Elton, Leeson, Holliday, Edwards, Pope, Taylor, Pearson, Floyd and Eyre and others, including Miss Coghlan, making up the Wallack Players, acted there with varying degrees of success.

Originally under the management of Lester Wallack, it was afterwards managed by Henry Abbey, who undertook to run the theatre after Mr. Wallack. Then came A. M. Palmer, who changed the name to the Palmer Theatre. Later it came into other hands and the old name was revived. George Tyler and Charles Frohman have also managed the theatre, but at the time of the Wallack Players, acted there with varying degrees of success.

On May 6 a public auction will be held of the theatre, and the theatre will be sold to the highest bidder. The theatre has been purchased by a real estate firm and the work of demolition will start at once to make room for the erection of offices and buildings on the site.

AUTO TRUCK CRUSHES TWO.

One Killed, the Other Badly Hurt,
When Steering Gear Goes Wrong.

One man was killed and another badly injured yesterday when a heavy auto truck swerved and crashed into a stone wall, crushing the two victims against it.

John McNally, 35, of 324 West Twenty-first street and Kerm Bamberg, 55, of 415 West Twenty-first street, both longshoremen, were sitting on a narrow curbing projecting from a stone wall enclosing the Chelsea Neighborhood Association's tenement for children at Tenth avenue and Eleventh street.

They had just finished lunch and were about to go back to their work when an Atlanta express truck, operated by Peter Larkin of 296 East Seventy-seventh street, came down the avenue at a brisk rate. As it reached Eleventh street, the longshoremen saw the driver suddenly struggle with the steering wheel, but the heavy truck did not respond. Before the two longshoremen could move, the truck crashed into them, striking McNally squarely in the chest and hitting Bamberg a glancing blow, breaking his left leg in two places. McNally died before the arrival of Dr. Huddell of New York Hospital. Bamberg was hurried to Bellevue.

FEWER KILLED IN STREETS.

April Deaths 38; Total 45 in Month
Last Year.

The National Highway Protective Society reported yesterday that in April 20 children were killed in the streets of New York. Automobiles caused the death of 14 children, 7 by trolleys, 8 of the children were killed while jumping on or off trucks.

The total number of persons killed during the month was 38, of these 21 were killed by automobiles, 7 by wagons and 10 by trolleys, as compared with 16 by automobiles, 15 by wagons and 14 by trolleys in April, 1914.

During April in the State of New York, on the streets and highways outside of New York city, 20 persons were killed by automobiles, 2 by trolleys and 1 by wagon, as compared with 9 by automobiles and 4 by trolleys in April, 1914.

The New Jersey list of fatalities shows that 12 were killed by automobiles and 7 by trolleys.

At railroad grade crossings in New Jersey 4 persons were killed and in New York State 5.

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TWO U. S. CUTTERS LAUNCHED.

Secretary McNado's Daughter Spon-
sored for the Occasion.

Nonrop, Va., May 1.—In the presence of a number of prominent people the coast guard cutter Tallapoosa and Osage were launched at the Newport News shipyard today. Miss Mabel Hartwell of Alabama was sponsor for the Tallapoosa and Miss Nellie Fleming McNado, the eleven-year-old daughter of the Secretary of the Treasury, for the Osage.

The Osage in leaving the ways took a sudden curve to the right and bumped sharply into a pier just as she struck the water, but was not damaged.

Byron R. Newton, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, members of Congress and officers of the naval and coast guard service witnessed the launching.

CLUBWOMEN HOLD MARINE BREAKFAST

Wear Naval Uniforms at the
Mozart Society's Meeting
at the Astor.

MANY EVENTS AT HOTELS

More than 3,000 clubwomen attended two color breakfasts at the Waldorf-Astoria and the Astor yesterday. These affairs marked the final formal events of the season, so far as the Rubenstein Club and the New York Mozart Society are concerned.

The Mozart society breakfast was held at the Astor, with almost two thousand members and guests present. Mrs. Noble McConnell, founder and president, and a reception committee received the guests. The officers and younger members of the society wore gowns patterned after the uniform of admirals and other officers down to the mid-thigh. Mrs. Samuel Gardner Estabrook was chairman of the breakfast, had the title of rear admiral and conducted the marine ceremonies. This feature was in honor of the society's guest, Rear Admiral Charles D. Sigsbee. Yachting and motor boat circles were represented by Mrs. Hackett and Fleet Capt. Alvah Nickerson and Mrs. Nickerson.

Nearly fourteen hundred members and guests attended the annual white breakfast of the Rubenstein Club at the Waldorf-Astoria. It took the form of a day-day fete. There was a Maypole 30 feet high erected in the center of the Southland table in charge of Mrs. Hartwell Grubbs and Mrs. Simon Riegel.

The twenty-ninth annual breakfast of the alumni of Wheaton College was held in the green room of the McAlpin yesterday. Dr. Samuel V. Cole, president of Wheaton College, and other members of the faculty were present.

The University of Virginia Alumni Association held a smoker last night in the blue room of the McAlpin, at which about one hundred and twenty-five members of the alumni were present.

Gen. Sam Hughes of Ottawa, who is in charge of all the Canadian troops, is at the Hotel Manhattan.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Ginstead and Miss Ginstead of Newport, R. I., who have been spending several weeks in South Carolina, have returned to their apartments in the Hotel Manhattan.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas B. Dunn, en route from Washington, D. C., to their home in Rochester, N. Y., are stopping for a few days at the Plaza.

The third of the series of six tea concerts with dancing being given under the direction of Miss Caroline Daxen Appleton and of war sufferers at the Hotel Majestic, Seventy-second street and Central Park West, will take place to-morrow from 4 to 6:30 o'clock.

ARRIVALS AT THE HOTELS

Some of the Latest Names Placed
on the Registers.

Prince George—George D. Bradley, Chicago; E. C. Clark, Providence, R. I.; A. A. Chapin, Washington, D. C.; Laurette—Mr. and Mrs. S. L. McMillan, Jacksonville, Fla.; Dr. and Mrs. H. B. Sherman, Boston; James H. Currier, Petersburg, Va.; Belleaire—Mr. and Mrs. James L. Irving, Amesbury, Mass.; Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Neathery, Sherman, Tex.; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Wilson, Mount Vernon, N. Y.; Albert—James McLeod, Chicago; A. Kenyon, Indianapolis; Manhattan—Mrs. John W. Pelton and Miss Pelton, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.; Mrs. Robert Creswell, Jr., Philadelphia; Gotham—Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Lovejoy, Schenectady; Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Siskin, Jr., Alhambra, N. Y.; Mrs. Henry Burden, Cazenovia, N. Y.; Astor—Mr. and Mrs. De Witt E. McKissack, New York; T. McKissack, Newburgh, N. Y.; P. H. O'Neill, Toronto; Algonquin—J. A. Butler, Hartford, Conn.; Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Tantor, Alton, S. C.; Miss Katherine M. Palmer, Buffalo; McAlpin—Arthur P. Smith, Sydney, Australia; Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Carberry, Palm Beach, Fla.; D. B. Bertant, New Orleans, La.; Marie Antoinette—F. J. R. Clarke, Kingston, N. Y.; George H. Wilder, Summit, N. J.; W. H. Hamde, Philadelphia; Knickerbocker—Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Chambers, Columbia, S. C.; Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Kelly, Montreal; Mr. and Mrs. V. P. Theules, Philadelphia.

STORK'S APPROACH BLACKMAIL EXCUSE

Youth Says He Threatened to
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RUSH TO JOIN NEW BROKERAGE FIRMS

Stock Exchange Bulletin
Shows Change From Depres-
sion of Year Ago.

12 NEW PARTNERSHIPS

The Stock Exchange bulletin issued yesterday was in strong contrast with that of a year ago. At this time in 1914, owing to the business depression and the drop in security prices, old firms were going out of business and dissolutions of partnerships were numerous. Members were resigning from many of the most prominent Stock Exchange firms and not a few firms were moving into smaller and cheaper quarters to save expenses.

Yesterday's bulletin showed a decided change. New partnerships were numerous. The changes in firms announced were for the admission of new partners. New addresses showed that many firms were moving into more expensive quarters, while dissolutions were comparatively few. In several, where firms did expire by limitation, the partners either renewed their agreements or announced the forming of new partnerships.

Among the large firms which announced the admission of new partners were A. A. Housman & Co. Three new members, Frederick Housman, Edward A. Pierce and Walter S. Housman, were admitted.

Two new partners, Bradish G. Johnson and J. Fletcher Shera, were admitted to the firm of Johnson & Wood.

Franklin K. Palmer, Jr., retired from Herrick & Bonner and Frank L. Scherfey was admitted.

C. E. Weiler & Co. took in two new members, McKinley Boyle and Paulding Goodrich, the latter as a special partner. J. H. Goadby Mills was admitted to the firm of Thompson, Shonard & Co. John J. Venable to the firm of J. M. Amory & Son.

Harris & Fuller announced the retirement of Henry C. Fuller and J. L. Grosvenor & Co. the retirement of W. S. Leggett.

Twelve new partnerships were announced, some of them, however, representing the dissolution of old firms who had not seen fit to extend their partnership agreements when their time limitation expired. The new partnerships announced were: Prichitt & Co., Graham

Wm. Rogers & Son State SPOONS

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"Arkansas"
Tablespoon
Dessert Size
and
"South
Carolina"
Teaspoon

SMASHING HIT!
Third Dessert Size
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Make lovely
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change Rates Unchanged.

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At practically clearance prices.

The assortments comprise our entire stock of this season's most fashionable outer garments which have been acknowledged to be not only superior and newer in style detail, but also unequalled in New York as to values offered.

Tailored Suits, of tweeds, homespuns, serges and gabardines, at the extremely low price of	\$18.50	Street and Afternoon Dresses, of serges, crepe de chins, foulards, etc.	\$14.50 to 95.00
Tailored Suits, of hairline striped materials, serges, gabardines, silk failles and checks.	\$29.50	Dancing Dresses of silk, lace, Gros de Londres, pompadour taffetas and nets.	19.50 to 69.50
Tailored Suits, of imported gabardines and serges silk lined voiles and popular silks.	\$35.00	Separate Skirts, of corduroys, serges, shepherd checks, taffetas and gabardines.	4.50 to 22.50

Also on the Third Floor, To-morrow, an exceptional offering of
Misses' and Small Women's Summer Dresses and Skirts

At Equally Attractive Price Advantages, as follows:

Misses' Dresses, of light weight ramie linen and dotted and striped voiles; sizes 14, 16 and 18 yrs.	\$5.50	Misses' Skirts, of ramie linen or white washable gabardine, open down front; sizes 35 to 38 inches.	\$2.95
Misses' Dresses, of tissues, striped lawns and dotted voiles; sizes 14, 16 and 18 years.	\$5.95	Misses' Skirts, of white washable golfie, ratine and gabardine; sizes 35 to 38 inches.	\$3.50
Misses' Dresses, of striped tissues and organdies, hand embroidered vestee, collar and cuffs.	\$7.50	Misses' Skirts, of imported golfie in the very new exposition colors; sizes 35 to 38 inches.	\$4.35

The Annual May Sale of Women's Underwear

WILL commence To-morrow, comprising an unusually large assortment of specially designed models, together with several very advantageous purchases of high grade garments, made of cambric and nainsook, in both tailored and elaborately trimmed effects, at very striking concessions from regular prices.

Gowns,	at 79c, 98c, 1.30, 1.55 to 2.85	Chemises,	at 48c, 75c, 89c, 1.00 to 2.00
Envelope Chemises,	89c, 1.00, 1.39, 1.55 to 2.10	Drawers,	at 45c, 59c, 78c, 95c to 1.65
Combinations, at 85c, 1.10, 1.35, 1.65 to 2.90		Corset Covers,	at 43c, 55c, 69c, 90c & 1.10
Petticoats, full circular models,	Regularly \$1.50 to 3.75, at 98c, 1.35, 1.60, 1.90 to 2.85		

Desirable Spring Dress Silks

An exceptional offering to-morrow of the most favored weaves in black and the fashionable colorings for Summer wear.

At Very Emphatic Reductions

Rajah Shantung, 27 inches wide, in a full line of colors, also natural and black; Regularly \$1.35 yd.	78c
Imported Black Chiffon Taffetas, 39 ins. wide, high lustre, soft finish; Regularly \$2.00 a yard.	\$1.35
Fleur de Soie Taffetas, 40 inches wide, in evening and street shades, also white, flesh and black.	\$1.28
Gros Grain Silk, 40 inches wide, in afternoon and street shades; also white and black; regularly \$2.50 yd.	\$1.45

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At prices that are surprisingly lower
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Willow Arm Chairs, comfortable cretonne cushions; complete at	\$3.60	High Back Porch Chairs, with superior cane seat and back.	at \$3.00
Rattan Arm Chairs and Rockers in baronial brown; roomy.	\$7.25	Bungalow Bedsteads, of white enamel; single; very exceptional value at	4.75
Rattan Tea Wagons, with glass tray, lined with cretonne.	\$8.75	Bungalow Bureaus of brown oak; dependable finish and construction.	13.50

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Homespun Rugs, in soft, plain or hit-and-miss tones, sizes from 30 by 60 ins. to 12 by 15 ft.	at 90c to 32.50
American and Scotch Weave Art Rugs, sizes from 27 by 54 ins. to 12 by 15 ft.	at \$1.80 to 60.00
Practical and Serviceable Porch Rugs, in grass, rush and Belgian fibre, sizes from 3 by 6 ft. to 12 by 18 ft.	at \$1.25 to 10.00

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6 by 9 ft. at \$17.75 | 8 ft. 3 by 10 ft. 6, \$25.50
Regularly \$22.50 | Regularly \$31.50
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Inlaid Linoleum, Value up to 1.50 sq. yd. at 75c & 95c